

Block Island Housing Board
Town Hall , Old Town Road
OPEN MINUTES
February 4, 2010
7:30 p.m.

Present: Gerry Riker, Cindy Pappas, Debbie Howarth, Dan Barker, Pattie Murphy, Doug Michel. Also present were Ellen Jacke and Joan Baker.

Not Present: Fraser Lang

Meeting was called to order by Cindy Pappas at 7:30 p.m.

Approval of minutes, January 14, 2010, open and closed.

**Minutes of the January 14, 2010 meeting open and closed were approved in a motion by Debbie Howarth and seconded by Pattie Murphy.

Ayes 6

Nays 0

Correspondence/Public Input:

None

Finance report, payment of bills, collection update

**A motion was made by Dan Barker and seconded by Pattie Murphy to pay the Block Island Times bill for advertising for \$135.00 (See attached).

Ayes 6

Nays 0

The clerk reported that she had collected \$45,973.32 to date.

There was a discussion about putting some money in a CD with the knowledge that there is a note due in December 2010 for \$100,000. Clerk will get the information on CD's from Finance Director for next meeting.

**A motion was made by Dan Barker and seconded by Gerry Riker to pay the Town for the clerk's salary. It was decided that from now on this will be done in April of each year.

Ayes 6

Nays 0

**A motion was made by Dan Barker and seconded by Pattie Murphy to accept the Finance Report. (attached).

Ayes 6

Nays 0

Jacke property update; including property clearing; layout of road and houses by engineer. Subcommittee reports.

Doug Michel recused himself and left the table. The Building committee reported that at their meeting the night before, the agreement with Bill Carey had been signed (Copy attached). Needed to move forward were staking the center of each house and center line of the road. This needs to be done by the engineers, and would give Bill Carey a better idea of how to site the houses. Debbie Howarth will get in touch with the engineers to move them along. There was a discussion about the North Kingstown affordable green house with a site visit to be planned for some of the members.

The renewable energy grant was discussed. Gerry Riker has tentatively planned the next subcommittee meeting for Thurs. Feb. 25 subject to change.

Doug Michel returned to the table and the eligibility committee reported that advertising was the concern. Everyone was given a copy of the eligibility requirements for next month's meeting. The committee will find out what the advertising rules are. They will also find out about the schedule for attending a RI Housing seminar.

Brown-Smith property; discuss agreement for mowing/clearing and horses

Continued to next month.

CDBG grant

Cindy reported on meeting with people from RI Housing and the CDBG grant. She said that the new application had to look different from the old one and something fresh had to be said. It was noted that the financials were going to be the key to having a chance.

****A motion was made by Pattie Murphy and seconded by Dan Barker to proceed with the CDBG grant for the full \$250,000 for the Jacke property.**

Ayes 6

Nays 0

A subcommittee was formed to work on the application. It will be Heidi, Debbie, Dan and Cindy. There was a discussion about coming up with the figures needed for prices.

Cindy will contact Heidi, the CDBG people and Wickford appliance

Gerry will contact UBS and Arnold lumber

Debbie will contact the engineers and look into the energy grant.

Update on Monitoring Agent

No news

Report on Vail Colorado's Affordable Housing Programs

No action.

Update on House Moving

Although Bill Landry said the Housing Board could financial extend help, to complete the house for a year-round tenant. John Jacobson wants to live in it himself..

With no further business to discuss, and no reason to enter closed session, meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. in a motion by Dan Barker and seconded by Pattie Murphy and voted unanimously.

Minutes submitted: 3/11/2010

Minutes approved: 3/11/2010

Bonny Ryan

**denoted motions